# Data Points

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#### **Client Field Clarifications**

• A client's Admission Date (field 9) should be **equal to or greater than** his/her Date of Birth (field 4).

- Status 2 (and 3) clients only require the following fields in the Client data submission:
  - System Reporting Date (field 1),
  - o Region Number (field 2),
  - o Client ID (field 3), and
  - o Client Status Code (field 6).

All other Client fields are optional and will be accepted only if valid data is present. The only errors that could occur related to other fields would be if two fields containing valid data are in conflict, such as clients who are both "pregnant" and "male" or clients who have duplicate diagnostic codes.

 Codes '96 – 'Not Applicable' and '98 – Not Collected' are valid codes for Source of Referral – Secondary (field 23).

## **RDMC Personnel Changes**

Beginning January 1, Dennis Moore will move to the position of Assistant Director of RDMC. Dennis will supervise the administrative and technical personnel for RDMC as well as the staff involved with several smaller projects.

Brian Mayo will assume the duties of Associate Director for Mental Health Data Management, Dennis's old position. Brian will report to Dennis and they will work closely during the transition to insure there is no reduction in service levels. Brian has been with RDMC for over seven years; most recently, he has been heavily involved in the development and improvement of the MHMR web site.

Sallie Abbott is the newest member of the RDMC team and will primarily work with Brian on web development. She brings a wide range of web development and programming experience to RDMC.

Stu McCullom, who has been the Data Base Administrator for RDMC, will be leaving at the end of December to take a position with the UK College of Agriculture. Kristi Corum will be assuming most of his duties in addition to her technical support role.

#### Season's Greetings!

All of us at Research and Data Management Center wish you and your loved ones a happy and safe holiday season!

Dr. Don Perrier, Dennis Moore, Brian Mayo, Kathy Ernst, Sallie Abbott, Jennifer Gatz, Amy Monaghan, Brent Seeders, Stu McCullom, Kristi Corum, Donna Chelf, and Marta Wood

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## **Kentucky County Quiz!**

For fun, see if you can answer the following questions with Kentucky county names (answers will appear next month).

Which Kentucky county has a name that...

- 1. ...is a food many people consider a great treat?
- 2. ...you hear when you have car engine problems?
- 3. ...is the opposite of 'more' plus the side away from the wind?
- 4. ...is a mournful, bell-like sound <u>plus</u> the nearest star?

#### Answers to last month's quiz:

Which Kentucky county has a name that...

- 1. ...was Matt Dillon's job? Marshall
- 2. ...was the brother to Wyatt and Virgil? Morgan (the Earp brothers)
- 3. ...was an old-time western movie star with a whip, named Lash? LaRue
- 4. ...is a medieval weapon? Pike
- 5. ...could mean 'belongs to Davy'? Daviess (Davy's)